- (17) After the ballots and votes have ben counted, and the result ascertained said Board of Election Supervisors shall, within twenty-four (24) hours, certify to the Commissioners of Bowie the result of such election, stating the names of the candidates and the number of votes cast for each, and shall, within the same period, post at least one copy of such certificate at the regular meeting place of said Commission. Such certificate shall be signed by each member of said Board of Election Supervisors. Provided, however, that failure on the the part of said Board to make such certificate or to post copies thereof, or failure to do both of these acts, shall not invalidate such election. If said Board shall so fail to make such certificate, and post copies thereof, then it shall be the duty of the Commissioners of Bowie to make such certificate and post such copies thereof.
- (18) After said Board shall have counted the ballots and votes, and ascertained the result of the election, said Board shall file with the Commissioners of Bowie all records and books in connection with such election.
- (19) Every Commissioner before entering upon the duties of his office, shall take the constitutional oath of office before the clerk of the Circuit Court of Prince George's County or one of his deputies. Failure to take the oath of office within ten days after election shall constitute a vacancy in that office.
- 84. On the first Monday in June 1951, if not a legal holiday and if said first Monday in June is a legal holiday, then on the day following each registered voter shall be allowed to vote for three candidates and the person receiving the highest number of votes for Commissioner shall serve for three years, the person receiving the second highest number of votes shall serve for two years, and the person receiving the third highest number of votes shall serve for one year. That annually thereafter, on the first Monday in June (if not a legal holiday, and if a legal holiday on the day following), said Board of Election Supervisors shall hold an election by ballot to elect a Commissioner whose term shall be for three years to succeed the Commissioner whose term expires at that time.
- 85. In case any person so elected to the office of Commissioner shall fail so to qualify, or in case of any vacancy in the office of Commissioner by death, resignation or otherwise, the remaining Commissioners shall fill such vacancy by appointment to serve until the next annual election, and if the term of said Commissioner does not regularly expire at that time, then a successor to fill out the unexpired term shall be elected at said annual election. Any person so appointed shall possess